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Permits for stage carriage in Chingleput.

8-50 a.m. * 727 *Q*.—SRI V. K. RAMASWAMY MUDALIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state why bus permits are renewed every two years in Chingleput district when lorry permits are renewed every three years?

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" Since February 1954, permits for stage carriages in Chingleput district are renewed for a period of three years."

SRI V. K. RAMASWAMY MUDALIAR :—" As constant renewals of permits result in forfeiture of permits some times, will the Government consider the desirability of renewing permits for a longer period? "

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" I do not think it is possible. These short renewals make the permit-holders conduct their affairs properly. They may not observe the rules and regulations if their permits are not liable to be cancelled earlier."

Issue of bus permits in Salem.

* 820 *Q*.—SRI K. V. RAMASWAMI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of bus permits granted during the year 1953–54 (up to July 1954) in Salem district;

(*b*) the maximum number of permits granted to a single person;

(*c*) the number of revision petitions filed before Government against such grant of permits by the Road Transport Authority; and

(*d*) how many were allowed by the Government?

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" (*a*) 15 (fifteen).

" (*b*) 3 (three).

" (*c*) Number of appeals preferred to the Central Road Traffic Board against the Regional Transport Authorities' orders is 68 and the number of revision petitions preferred to Government against the appellate orders of the Central Road Traffic Board is 16 (sixteen).

" (*d*) One."

SRI K. V. RAMASWAMI :—" இம்மாதிரி இம்மூன்று பஸ் பர்மிட்டுகளும் கொடுக்கப்பட்டிருப்பவர்கள் கனம் மந்திரி மாணிக்கவேலருக்கும், காங்கிரஸ் எம்.எல்.ஏ.-க்கும் சொந்தக்காரர்களா ? "